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Based on a recent ICIS evaluation, the ambient air concentrations of chloroprene emitted from the Denka neoprene facility in St. John the Baptist Parish, Louisiana appear to exceed risk-based standards. The Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality has required Denka to install new air pollution controls that will come on line in January 2018, but it is uncertain whether the new controls will reduce the ambient air concentrations of chloroprene below the risk-based standards. The local community is quite concerned about these ambient levels and there has been a good deal of press and political coverage of the matter. If the risk-based ambient air concentrations are not below the risk-based standards once the new controls become operational, we expect there to be a continued call for action. Though there is presently no enforcement action under way, OECA has been following the matter. We believe it would be helpful to convene a briefing on the situation in early January among OAR, ORD, OPA, Region 6, and OECA. We would suggest that this group develop a preliminary action plan.

Patrick.